



# Newsletter

Sunday 25th December 2011

## Wellington Methodist Church and Centre

New Street, Wellington, Telford, TF1 1LU

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Welcome to Wellington Methodist Church! At the top of New Street, the church seeks to serve town and people and offers good news for all. If you are here for the first time or just visiting the area you are welcome. Please feel at home and if you would like to know more about the work of the Church please ask, or fill in one of the contact leaflet sheets to join the mailing/email list. Do stay and join us for tea and coffee after the service.

Christmas Eve 11.00 p.m. Christmas Communion

*A special & joyful service!*

Christmas Day 9.30 am All Age Worship - Rev Peter Clarke

*Songs, story & surprises for all ages...*

Mid-week Worship (Thursday)

9.30 am Holy Communion - a 30 minute service for anyone in town.

In the Sanctuary. All welcome.

Services for next Sunday

10.15 am All Age Worship - Miss M Mantripp



Our prayers

We think of those who are unwell, in hospital or recovering at home.

Those in Care or Nursing Homes. Please pray for the family of Reg

Vaughan who has passed away. The funeral will be here on December

29th at 11.00am. Baby Herbie Isiah Manning born with serious heart

problems now in Birmingham Children's Hospital. Mary Grecnis and Margaret Miles



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## WEEKDAY PROGRAMME

Thursday 29th December  
10 - 12noon Coffee Morning

(in Community Room)

11.00 Funeral Service - Reg Vaughan

Saturday 31st December

10.00 am - 12.30 pm Coffee Morning -  
Home Missions and M.H.A

Sunday 1st January

10.15 am All Age Worship -

Miss M. Mantripp

Tuesday 3rd January

10.00 am Arthritis Support -

Coffee Morning

2.30 pm Network

Thursday 5th January

9.30 am Holy Communion

10-12noon Coffee Morning

Saturday 7th January

10.00 am - 12.30 pm Coffee Morning -

Home Missions and M.H.A

## NEWS, DIARY DATES & SPECIAL EVENTS

### Early Morning Communion

Please take note that there will be no early morning communion on the first Sunday in January.

The next early morning communion will be 9.00 am the first Sunday in February.

### Food for Thought

There will be no Food for Thought on 29th December or 5th January but will be back with Sandra Williams on 12th January

### From the Town Council

Thank you for all your help in allowing use of your wonderful building even though a very important parents and children's contact session was in process at the same time on Saturday.

Also for; the enthusiastic participation of associated church groups in lanterns workshops-beverages for the masses arriving to collect lantern lights and your welcome participation with people walking/ skipping and dancing along in the procession.

Yours is a shining example of the Christian faith-community spirit working with the community for the community.

Wishing you a Joy-filled Christmas time

Kind Regards

**Carol**

## Covenant Service and Church Lunch

There will be no lunch on January 1st but instead we will share together after our Covenant Service on January 8th. This will be a BRING AND SHARE lunch. Please bring a contribution of food so we can all share together. We do hope as many people as possible will stay.

Barbara Murray

## Safeguarding Training

To All personnel required to undertake Foundation Module A Safeguarding Training:- There is a Safeguarding training day on Wednesday 25th January 2012 at 7.00 pm at Oakengates United Reform/Methodist church. Please inform Marjorie Brown church Safeguarding Co - ordinator if you wish to attend. Thanks

## Web site

I would like to thank Adrian and Anthony Millington for all the work they have done on our web site. Adrian has recently changed the web site and if you have access to the internet do have a look as your comments would be greatly appreciated. If you are a group leader in the church please look at the information given about your group and if you would like to change or amend it, then please let me have it in writing. If you can send it by e mail then this would be very helpful. Without your help we can not keep the web site up to date.

Many thanks Barbara Murray

## Network

The next Network meeting will be on 3rd January 2012 at 2.30 p m The topic will be World Mission with Mrs. Barbara Murray.  
Prayer tea and Fellowship raising money for good projects.

## Christmas Cards

Thanks to all those who wrote Christmas cards and made a donation to church funds. A total of £138 was raised.

## Coffee Morning

Thanks to all who helped and supported the property fund coffee morning on 17th December. A total of £200 was raised.

## Meeting 8th January 2012

Brief Church meeting after the service on Sunday 8th January please can you put this date in your diary.

Last Sunday Mornings Collection Amounted to £463.51  
and the Carol Service £655.77

## Organ Recitals 2011

The Organ concert was extremely well attended with over 100 people and many thanks to Michael for organising the event. Prior to the event the money raised from the Organ Recitals this year £771 was given to K.I.P, Marks Pit Stop, YMCA and STAY all the organisations involved with the homeless. Many thanks to all who contributed. The programme for 2012 is being formulated at the moment and it is intended to invite Nigel Ogden for an Autumn Concert.

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## Sofa - surfers variety night

Friday 27th January at The Salvation Army Oakengates .A variety night with local people performing including an Instrumentalist, Soloists and the Salvation Army Songsters. Admission £4 or £6 for a family ticket. Proceeds to the KiP Homelessness Project. For more details please see poster or contact 01952 506234 or 620263

## Thank You

Thank you to all who have given me envelopes. Barbara

## TCAT Counselling Course - Interpersonal Skills

A new first steps Counselling Course will be held here from 19th January to 23rd March on Thursday mornings 10.00 am to 12 noon. If anyone is interested then please contact me as soon as possible or phone Jaz from TCAT on 07824 464048.

Barbara Murray

## TCAT Computers

We have some places left on an Improvers Computer Course on Fridays. If anyone is interested then please contact me. Barbara Murray

## Gift Aid

Well done to over 3,700 Methodist churches that have made tax reclaims through the **central bureau service operated by the Connexional Team's Finance Office**. In this year, the last one in which 28p in the pound could be claimed, more than £9.5 million has been claimed from the government by churches across the Connexion.

Thank you to all who are able and chose to Gift Aid their giving to the Church, more than 75,000 people throughout the country. The average reclaimed per church was over £2,500 and the average reclaimed per donor was £126.

*Why not consider Gift Aiding your contributions if you do not already do so ?*

*Please see David Corbett*

All claims received up to the end of September have been processed and submitted to HMRC, and churches should now have received their payments.

Please support your Gift Aid secretary and encourage other tax payers to use Gift Aid - it really makes a difference to all donations both large and small

Pre - school resumes Thursday 5th January